GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

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REVIVAL OF CLOSED MINES
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government have received any proposals to run the closed mines under CCL, BCCL or ECL situated in Jharkhand area by the Government of Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon by the Government ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW A JUSTICE (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) to (c): A number of proposals have been received from the Government of Jharkhand to run the closed mines ofthe Central Coalfields Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited.Some of the mines covered in the proposals of Government of Jharkhand are - Sugia, Rauta, Burakhap, Angwali etc. The Central Government have, inDecember, 2001, through the Revised Mining Policy, decided to allow coal mining to State Government companies or undertakings wherebythey can mine coal anywhere in the country by opencast / underground methods of mining without the earlier restriction of working only small and isolated coal reserves not amenable to scientific development and not requiring rail transport. Further, such mining is allowed interalia on issuance of no objection certificate by the Coal India Limited. Action on the proposalsfrom the Government of Jharkhand has to be in accordance with the revised coal mining policy.